

**TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE**

**BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES**

**DATE: October 21, 2015**

**SUBJECT: Township Budget for Year 2016**

**PRESENT: Chairman; Mike Luethe, 1st Supervisor; Ron Luethe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor; Keith Giraud, Clerk; Rita Williams, Treasurer; Kathy Cale**

**PUBLIC OBSERVERS: Kaleb Bach, Patrolman**

Treasurer, Kathy Cale and Clerk, Rita Williams had met on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 4:15 P.M. and put together tentative figures.

Workshop opened at 7:30 P.M.

It was noted that we are able to increase the normal tax levy only by \$1,130 and then again we would be able to add to the levy because of the debt we have incurred due to the purchase of the 2014 truck.

Clerk Williams started to walk the two new board members through the budget process and reviewed each figure that she and treasurer, Kathy Cale had put together.

Income and expenses from the prior 2015 year-to-date figures were discussed and estimated figures for the 2016 year were established.

The levy for the 2016 year was looked at and it was noted that for the 2015 year we only added \$10,000 to the levy because of the debt obligation. It was noted that we do need to include the entire debt to the levy this year which is \$27,768.00.

1. The levy for Year 2016 is set at an 13.88 % increase over the Year 2015 levy.

Year 2015 Levy = \$136,070

13.888% Increase = \$ 18,898

Year 2016 Levy = \$154,968

After reviewing each line on the budget, a wish list was presented to the board which included:

Trailer for Hwy Dept \$5000/I-Pad or Lap Top for Kaleb \$1000/Possible new computer in office/Wall Partition to make office larger. The list was reviewed and some monies were added into the budget for those items.

2. Highway construction and maintenance funds were discussed. The highway budget has been set at \$150.446 for the 2016 Year.

The revised figures were entered into the computer and revised budget figures were printed and handed to the board to take home and review again.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Rita Williams-Clerk